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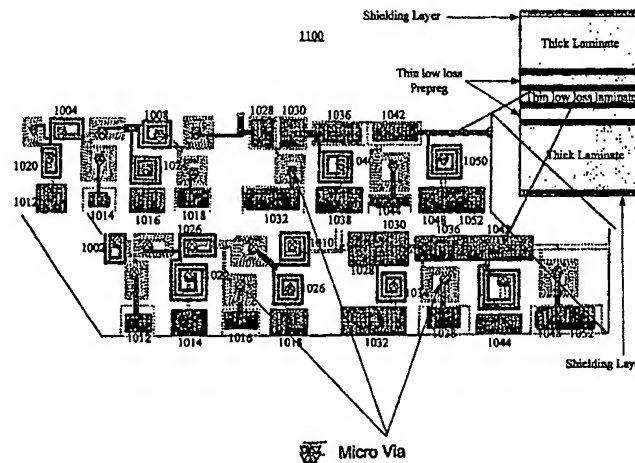
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(54) Title: **LIQUID CRYSTALLINE POLYMER- AND MULTILAYER POLYMER-BASED PASSIVE SIGNAL PROCESSING COMPONENTS FOR RF/WIRELESS MULTI-BAND APPLICATIONS**



(57) Abstract: The present invention provides all organic fully-packaged miniature bandpass filters, baluns, diplexers, multiplexers, couplers and a combination of the above manufactured using liquid crystalline polymer (LCP) and other multilayer polymer based substrates. These devices are manufactured using one or more LCP layers having integrated passive components formed thereon to provide the density and performance necessary for multi-band wireless devices. In the designs involving multiple LCP layers, the LCP layers are separated by prepreg layers. In accordance with an aspect of the present invention, coplanar waveguide, hybrid stripline/coplanar waveguide and/or microstrip topologies are utilized to form the integrated passive components, and the devices can be mass produced on large area panels at least 18 inches by 12 inches with line widths smaller than 10µm.

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